County of San Diego Sweetwater Community Planning Group

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY April 2, 2013 7:00PM

Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Station 4900 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902

Administrative Items

Co-Chair Sheri Todus brought the meeting to order at 7:00
Item #1 Roll: Harriet Taylor, Steve and Liz Stonehouse, Rick Blacklock, Sheri Todus, Mark Kukuchek, Alan Sachrison, Doc Stokos, Uwe Werner, John Taylor, Don Scovel, Judi Tieber, Michael Garrot and Diane Carter.

Item #2: Approval of minutes: Move to approve was Blacklock, second was Stokos. Unanimous Ten members voted.

Item #3: Opportunity for members of the public to speak to the Planning Group on any subject within Planning Group's purview but not on the agenda. Presentations are limited to three minutes and no action can be taken.

Uwe had a complaint about people raising signs across from his property about dogs for sale. Apparently this had been going on for some time.

Action Items

Item #5: Rick motioned to remove this item from agenda. Uwe seconded. Unanimous with ten members voting.

Item #6: Review Plans to develop four homes on vacant property next to Baptist Church along Sweetwater Road at the end of Central Ave. owner looking for input.

The owner's representative gave a short talk about the prospective plans for the area in question. Among the changes would be four homes set on half-acre lots: retaining ponds to collect any water run-off or other wise: the access road to these homes built up to the height of Sweetwater Road: and curbs, gutters and sidewalks added to connect with those of the Church.

Several neighbors had concerns. It was mentioned that notices had gone out to the homeowners on Birch Bark Lane and Bonita Woods Road, areas which would be directly affected by this development.

Mark motioned that the suggested plan be approved provided that the County approve and, 1. there be a thorough analysis of flood plain and drainage: and 2. that the block wall along Sweetwater go just above grade only. 9 members voted aye, one noe Harriet Taylor.

Rick motioned that the sidewalk be extended at the owner's expense from the end of the Church to the end of the property along Sweetwater Road. Alan seconded. Harriet and Mark did not want more concrete in Bonita. Vote: 7 aye with Sherri voting as a tiebreaker to 6 nay: John, Liz, Harriet, Mark, Diane, Michael. Aye carried.

Item #7: Request for stop signs at Jonel Way and Proctor Valley Rd. and at San Miguel Road and Proctor Valley Road. Mark Kukuchek. The person who was supposed to come to discuss this is not here. Mark moved to continue until next month. Second Diane. Tabled.

Here we heard Item #4: Michael De La Rosa speaking for Supervisor Greg Cox with a community update: There is to be a meeting about the Equestrian Ordinance tomorrow. Uwe mentioned the dog issue. The bridge by the Duck Pond has gone out for bid. Hopefully there will be enough money to finish the trail leading to it from the Library. The new Centennial Trail is to be opened but there are rules in the South County according to jurisdiction what you can put on the trail such as equestrians, bikers etc. There is a new homeless encampment by the 805.

Item # 8: Vote on new member application from Irene Blacklock: After a short discussion of qualifications Mark moved to approve. Doc seconded. Approved with 9 voting. Rick excused himself.

Non-Acton Group Business

Item #9: Trail report: Mark Kukuchek: Mark had a statement about Mark's Mule Trail which is great for equestrians but sadly not a multiuse trail as there is one just down the way. It appears this trail is on an old easement from the train trestle. Patrick did finally put in a round pen at the Western Staging Area and will soon put in a hitching rail. PLDO funds were not used for this. Congratulations to County Parks. There is encroachment on Tim Street where trails have been fenced and the fencing evaded thereby loosing the easement for the trail.

Motion to adjourn Rick second John.

Adjourned 8:40 PM Next meeting May 7, 2013

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Stonehouse, Secretary.